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1. Cited against the subject application is the disclosure found in Kao et al., Long-residence-time nano-scale liposomal iohexol for X-ray-based blood pool imaging, Academic Radiology, May 2003, pp. 475-483 (the "Publication").
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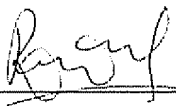
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